

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY US ARMY INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND

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COMMAND POLICY

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SUBJECT: US Army Garrison, Japan (USAG-J) Environmental Command Policy

1. REFERENCES:

- a. Executive Order 13423 Strengthening Federal Environmental, Energy and transportation Management, 26 Jan 07.
- b. Memorandum, Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management, Department of the Army, subject: New Installation Management Requirements, 6 Aug 01.
- c. The Army Strategy for the Environment "Sustain the Mission Secure the Future," 1 Oct 04.
- 2. PURPOSE: This policy incorporates the elements of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001 Environmental Management System (EMS) into the existing installation management structure.

3. ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY:

- a. USAG-J strives to be a leader in environmental, energy, and natural resources stewardship as an integral part of our mission. USAG-J will develop and manage environmental programs necessary to meet its responsibility to protect the natural environment and human health.
- b. In accordance with DOD 4715.5-G, the Japan Environmental Governing Standards (JEGS) is the primary source document for environmental guidance and standards for service components in Japan. As such, all unit commanders and activity managers will comply with the JEGS. They must consider, plan, and document all environmental impacts of their operations.
- c. All activities associated with USAG-J facilities will take the initiative to prevent pollution. They will minimize releases of pollutants to the environment and reduce the amount of waste generated through efficient use of materials, effective inventory management, careful planning and dispose of waste through safe and responsible methods.

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- d. It is the responsibility of the unit and activity commanders/managers to ensure that personnel complete the required training (through the Environmental Compliance Officers program) to accomplish their mission requirements within environmental guidelines.
- e. Any planned action(s) that may have an impact on the environment must be coordinated with the Environmental Division, Directorate of Public Works (DPW), USAG-J.
- f. It is the responsibility of the unit and activity commanders/managers to annually discuss their activities and/or services with the Environmental Division to identify their environmental impact, targets and objectives, and establish measurable performance criteria.
- g. Organizations shall establish and implement document control measures to ensure operational control procedures are consistent with the mission, target and objectives. They shall establish emergency preparedness and response procedures to identify potential situations, potential accidents and demonstrate conformity to the requirements of its EMS and ISO 14001.

4. APPLICABILITY:

- a. This environmental policy applies to all military personnel, civilian employees, Master Labor Contract (MLC) employees, Indirect Hire Agreement (IHA) personnel, tenants, and contractors working on the installation for at least five consecutive days utilizing USAG-J facilities.
- b. Dissemination of this policy will be provided through e-mail, Torii newspaper, command channel 13, and internet (https://intranet.zama.army.mil/cmdstaff/usagj/pw/Environmental.htm).
- 5. I am fully committed to continual improvement of our EMS; fostering an ethic within USAG-J that will take us beyond environmental compliance to sustainability; strengthening the operational capability by reducing our environmental footprint in Japan through more sustainable practices; meeting current and future training, testing, and other mission requirements by sustaining land, air and water resources; minimizing impacts and total ownership costs of Army systems, materials, facilities, and operations by integrating the principles and practices of sustainability; enhancing the well being of our Soldiers, civilians, Families, neighbors, and communities, through leadership in sustainability; and by using innovative technology and the principles of sustainability to meet user needs and anticipate future Army challenges.
- 6. The point of contact is Chief, Environmental Division at 263-3544.
- 7. This command policy supersedes USAG-J Command Policy 38, 14 Sep 06.

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8. EXPIRATION: This command policy will remain in effect until superseded and/or rescinded.

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